

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which the conveyor pan base comprises a rolled sheet.

5. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which at least the side part on the face side is provided with a machine track for an extraction machine.

6-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which the side and top profiles comprise separate elements, whereby the top sides of the top profiles form a machine track.

10. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which the vertical arms have an end section with a T-shaped cross section or a step or similar, onto which a top profile abuts and is supported.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which the accepting elements comprise open edged cast pockets.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 21, in which the side parts are provided with cast vertical ribs for additional stiffening to the accepting pockets.

15. (Original) A conveyor pan according to claim 14, in which the vertical ribs are provided with cut-outs onto which lifting eyes or similar are fastened.

16 - 20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan for underground face or gate conveyors, with a pair of side parts consisting of cast parts which include cast vertical arms extending over the height of a bottom run and a top run, a lower cast flange arm extending outwards to the rear, a cast foot flange extending inwards onto whose lower side a base plate is welded which closes the bottom run to the bottom, cast accepting elements formed at end faces for joining conveyor pans, and a machine track which is an integral component of at least one of said cast vertical arms which said vertical arm has an end section with a T-shaped cross-section forming a cross web of said machine track, said side and top profiles are exchangeable welded onto said vertical arms adjacent said machine track, with said side and top profiles supported in steps formed in said vertical arms.

22. (Currently Amended) A conveyor pan for underground face or gate conveyors, with a pair of side parts comprising cast parts which include cast vertical arms extending over the height of a bottom run and a top run, a lower cast flange arm extending outwards to the rear, a cast foot flange extending inwards onto whose lower side a base plate is welded which closes the bottom run to the bottom, ~~as well as on end faces~~ cast accepting elements on end faces of said side parts for means of joining conveyor pans, and with a conveyor pan base, in which side and top profiles are nested in upper sections of said cast vertical arms and are exchangeably welded onto the side parts in the region of the top run against which scraper ends are guided in the top run, ~~and whose~~ the inner sides of said top and side profiles have a profile shape matched to the scraper ends and in which the conveyor pan base is welded to the crown of an inner side of an essentially W-shaped cast vertical arm. ~~and the cast flange arm is provided with weight reducing depressions on its under side~~

23. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 22, in which the conveyor pan base comprises a rolled sheet.

24. (Cancelled)

25. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 22, in which at least the side part on the face side is provided with a machine track for an extraction machine.

26. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 22, in which the accepting elements comprise open edged cast pockets.

27. (Currently Amended) A conveyor pan according to claim 22, in which the side parts are provided with cast vertical ribs for ~~additional~~ stiffening in addition to that provided by to the accepting pockets.

28. (Previously Presented) A conveyor pan according to claim 27, in which the vertical ribs are provided with cut-outs onto which lifting eyes or similar are fastened.